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Students

SUBJECT: NON-RESIDENT STUDENTS

General Statement of Policy:

The Canajoharie Central School District recognizes its primary obligation to provide a free public education to all school age children who reside within the District. Wherein the Superintendent of Schools determines that classroom space is available within the District and the District is able to offer such placement without incurring any additional cost to the taxpayers of Canajoharie Central School District, it shall be the policy of the Board of Education to admit non resident students to its schools upon the payment of tuition, as set by the Board of Education in accordance with the laws and regulations of the State of New York.

Nothing in this policy shall authorize the admission or maintenance of a nonresident student whose admission / maintenance as student in the district requires any additional expenditure to the Board of Education, the hiring of additional staff, or a waiver of an existing classroom teacher student ratio, as established by law, board policy, contract, or regulation.

Notwithstanding its general policy, tuition shall not be charged for those non-resident students who:

- are children of district employees pursuant to contractual agreements;
- were residents of the Canajoharie School District until their senior year;
- were enrolled in District schools as a nonresident student on or before June 30, 2020;
- are siblings of a nonresident student enrolled on the District on or before June 30, 2020
- are accepted to one of the district's special education programs by the Director of Special Education pursuant to a contract with another school district.

Tuition for all other students shall be set annually by the Board of Education and shall be paid in full prior to commencement of the school year, unless an alternate payment plan is authorized by the Board

Written notice must be submitted to the district for all new non-resident students by July 1.

Currently admitted nonresident students must reapply on an annual basis, no later than June 1 of the year preceding the year they wish to continue enrollment. Enrollment of any current nonresident student is contingent upon eligibility based on the terms and conditions of this policy, and shall be reassessed each year and during the school year as well.

Should there be more nonresident student applications than available seats as of July 1, the District reserves the right to admit nonresident students by lottery, with first preference given to current nonresident students and/or their siblings.

Terms and Conditions Governing the Admission and Enrollment of Non-Resident Students

The Superintendent of Schools shall be authorized to admit a non-resident student upon his/her determination that:

- The student's educational needs can be met by existing staff;
- Such admission shall not require the expenditure of additional local funds or the hiring of additional staff except to the extent that the Board of Education contracts out for such services for its resident students; and
- The student's admission shall not cause a classroom to exceed student capacity as defined by law, regulation or board policy.
- The student is determined to be a student in good standing in his/district of residence and in the Canajoharie CSD (i.e. is not on academic probation or otherwise the subject of any out of school or in-school suspensions in the past school year and does not have an attendance or truancy problem).
- The needs of the students can be met within the District's existing programs.

As a condition of acceptance of a non-resident student, the Parents of such student and the student, as applicable, agree to the following:

- Parents will adhere to the expectations as outlined in the District's Code of Conduct. Failure to abide by these expectations will jeopardize the students' continued enrollment in the district.
- The Parents shall be responsible for arranging the transportation of the student to and from the District and shall provide the District with the name of another adult who shall be responsible for the transportation of the student, if the parent is not available, in the event of early dismissal.
- Failure to make appropriate arrangements for the transportation of a non-resident student, including on days requiring early dismissal due to emergency or otherwise, shall result in the student's dismissal.
- The student shall be subject to the same rules governing attendance and discipline as resident students and shall be required to comply with the same rules. Any violations of school rules, including, but not limited to, excessive tardiness, truancy or other infractions that would result in the suspension of a resident student from school shall constitute a basis for the student's immediate dismissal. In addition, multiple infractions that disrupt the educational process will jeopardize the students' continued enrollment in the district.
- Prior to such dismissal, the District shall provide the Parent with written notice of the basis for its determination and shall notify the Parent of the right to request an informal conference with the Superintendent of Schools, which shall provide an opportunity for the Parent and student to question complaining witnesses and present their concerns.
- The decision of the Superintendent shall be final except a parent may appeal such decision to the Board of Education within 30 days of such determination upon written notice with a statement of the reasons for such appeal.
- A non-resident student dismissed for disciplinary reasons or nonattendance pursuant to this policy shall not be readmitted under this policy.
- Extra Curricular Activities - To the extent otherwise eligible, all non-resident students admitted pursuant to this policy shall be allowed to participate in all activities/sporting opportunities to the same extent as resident students of the District, except that the Parents of such students shall be responsible for their transportation from any after school activities to their home.

Policy Review

This policy shall sunset one year from the date of ratification without the Board's action.

Nothing in this policy shall require the District to assume responsibilities for the education of a non-resident student beyond those specifically outlined above. All services not specifically referred to herein shall remain the obligation of the student's district of residence, including, but not limited to, kindergarten screening, any referrals, evaluations and program reviews by the committee on special education, the provision of any special services to which the student may otherwise be entitled which are not available within the District in a manner consistent with the terms and conditions of the policy set forth herein.

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